

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
JUNE 16, 1954

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, June 16, 1954; Councilmen Hughes, Mitchell, Richey, Robinson and Fuller (Mayor) present; none absent. City Manager Weller and City Attorney Mullen also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of May 20, 1954 were approved as written and mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS

EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION PICNIC	Letter from the Lodi City Employees' Association extending an invitation to the Mayor and City Council to attend the Annual Picnic of the Association to be held in Lodi Lake Park, Saturday, June 19, 1954.
CITY OF FRESNO	Mr. Weller read a letter addressed to City Attorney Mullen from C. M. Ozias, City Attorney of Fresno, thanking Mr. Mullen for his assistance in the litigation involving water rights for the City of Fresno.
S. J. CO. TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION	Letter from San Joaquin Taxpayers' Association, calling the Council's attention to certain practices which it recommended be followed by the City Council in the adoption of the 1954-55 budget, was read by the City Manager.
OFFICER YATES COMMENDED	The City Manager read a letter from the Chief of Police addressed to Officer Marcus P. Yates. In his letter, Chief Hunt commended Officer Yates for his vigilance in stopping and interrogating of C. E. Crittenden which lead to the arrest of Mr. Crittenden as the burglar of the Hegglade Marguleas Company of Lodi.
STATE ASKS AID FROM LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT	Letter from the Department of the Youth Authority requesting the aid of Identification Officer Ehrhardt in setting up facilities for fingerprinting and photographing of wards of the Authority. Officer Ehrhardt had been recommended to the Authority as a very fine laboratory and efficient identification officer.
S. F. BAY AREA SHIPYARDS	Letter from Labor's League for Political Education of Shipyard Laborers, Local 886, urging the City Council to take action supporting the study of the problems which are confronting the shipyards in the San Francisco Bay area. At the suggestion of Councilman Robinson, action on the request was deferred until the League of California Cities could be contacted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NAME CHANGE PARK AVENUE	<p>The Council had a request from a resident of Park Avenue that action on the renaming of Park Avenue be deferred until the residents had more time in which to select a street name acceptable to all. It was stated that the name Park View Avenue was acceptable to only three of the five residents of the street. On the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Hughes second, the matter was referred back to the City Planning Commission for further action by the following vote:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">AYES: Councilmen - Hughes, Mitchell, Robinson and Fuller</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">NOES: Councilman - Richey ABSENT: None</p>
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GROUND
OBSERVER
CORPS

Mrs. Frances Dragoo, Supervisor of the Lodi Ground Observer Corps, addressed the City Council to state that she was not receiving sufficient support in the GOC program. Specifically she stated that she did not receive cooperation from Lou Farnsworth in staffing the Day Captains. At the present time she is short two Day Captains, and it is her understanding that Mr. Farnsworth is responsible to recruit and furnish this personnel to her. Mr. Weller pointed out that the Ground Observer Corps is a program under the Air Force and not specifically a part of the Civil Defense organization. He also pointed out that civil defense is not one person's job, but is everyone's responsibility. Mrs. Dragoo stated further that the City's employees had been assigned a day to man the observer post and, after participating one day, failed to appear for the day the succeeding month. Mayor Fuller offered to meet with Mrs. Dragoo and Mr. Farnsworth in an effort to work out the problem.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

RES. #1817 ADOPTED
AUTHORIZE CON-
TRACT WITH
STATE PERSONNEL
BOARD

A standard contract with the State Personnel Board for the furnishing of technical assistance to the City at the City's request was submitted by Mr. Weller. He explained that the contract was necessary before the City could use testing or consultant services from the Personnel Board. On the motion of Councilman Richey, Resolution No. 1817, authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract, was adopted.

LEGAL AD
SPECIFICATIONS

Standard specifications for the publication of legal notices for the Fiscal Year 1954-55 were approved on the motion of Councilman Robinson, Mitchell second.

CHANGE
SPECIFICATIONS
FOR SUBDIVISION
STREETS

Mr. Weller reported that the City Engineer had recommended a revision of the City Council's policy covering the standards for street improvement in subdivisions. The present policy requires a paving to be of 2-inch road-mix before the City will accept the street for maintenance. This paving is only adequate for a few years and is followed with a plant-mix surfacing which is currently placed at City expense. The City Engineer recommends that the subdivider be required to bring the street surface to the proper section and to provide a penetration treatment of liquid asphalt. He would then be required to deposit with the City sufficient funds for the City to apply a 1-1/2 to 2 inch plant-mix surface when the covered ditches in the street have settled sufficiently. Mr. Weller pointed out that this would increase the costs to the subdivider significantly, but would also significantly reduce the costs reduce the costs to the taxpayer. He stated that the present cost of the road-mix surface is approximately 6¢ a square foot, whereas the penetration treatment costs approximately 2¢ a square foot. The cost of the plant-mix surface, which would be deposited with the City, is approximately 10¢ a square foot. Mayor Fuller and Councilman Robinson expressed themselves in favor of the recommended specifications, stating that it was a step in the right direction. Councilman Robinson then moved, Richey second, the adoption of the specifications for street construction as recommended by

the City Engineer with said specifications to apply to all subdividers filing a tentative map with the Planning Commission from and after this date, and the spreading of the specifications in the minutes of this meeting. The motion was adopted by unanimous vote. The specifications adopted are as follows:

STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN SUBDIVISIONS

The subdivider shall install at his expense all the curbs and gutters required to provide proper surface drainage for all the streets within his subdivision. These curbs and gutters shall be of concrete and of the dimensions and to the lines and grades established by the City Engineer. The traveled between the curbs shall be brought to correct cross section and grade as established by the City Engineer, the low places being filled with approved imported material and the excess material excavated and disposed of by the subdivider. All grass, sod, sticks, and other deleterious material shall be removed from the right-of-way.

PENETRATION TREATMENT

The traveled way shall be compacted to a relative compaction of 90% as determined by the impact or field method compaction tests as specified in Section 6, Article G, of the Standard Specifications, dated January, 1949, of the Division of Highways, Department of Public Works, State of California.

After the traveled way has been prepared, as outlined above, the subdivider shall treat the surface with SC-2 liquid asphalt at the rate of 0.4 gallons per square yard. This asphalt shall meet the requirements of Section 64 and its application the requirements of Section 22 of the Specifications referred to above. Traffic shall be kept off the street for three days after the application of the asphalt unless otherwise directed by the City Engineer. Just before admitting traffic, all remaining pools of asphalt shall be blotted with sand as required. Excess sand shall be removed by the subdivider.

PLANT MIXED SURFACING

After all required areas have been treated as described above, but not sooner than is deemed advisable by the City Engineer, a plant mixed surfacing shall be placed over all traveled areas. This surfacing shall have a two-inch compacted thickness.

Immediately before the new surface is applied sufficient material shall be removed adjacent to the gutters to permit the proper placing of the required amount of plant mixed surfacing.

Before the plant mixed surfacing is spread, a prime coat of SC-2 liquid asphalt shall be applied to the area to be paved at a rate of approximately 0.15 gallons per square yard.

A Class "D" seal coat shall be applied to the finished plant mixed surface.

The surface preparation, prime coat, plant mixed surfacing and seal coats shall comply with all the requirements of the following sections of the Standard Specifications referred to above:

- Prime Coat - Sections 28 and 64
- Plant Mixed Surfacing - Section 28
- Class D Seal Coat - Section 23
- Liquid Asphalt - Section 64
- Paving Asphalt - Section 63

The grading of the mineral aggregate in the plant mixed surfacing and the grade and amount of asphalt shall be determined by the City Engineer.

RES. #1816
ADOPTED

The City Manager presented a request from the City Engineer that the City Council recommend to the Division of Highways that the following streets be added to the present major street system of the City of Lodi:

REQUEST
ADDITION TO
MAJOR STREETS

Holly Drive from Turner Road to California Street.
Mills Avenue from Turner Road to Lake Street.
Elm Street from the westerly terminus of that portion of Elm Street now included in the major street system to a point thirty feet west of Corinth Avenue.

Councilman Robinson was reassured that this proposal would not affect the width of streets or boulevards, but only enabled the City to use gas tax funds for the construction and maintenance of these streets. Resolution No. 1816, recommending the addition of the above streets to the major street system, was adopted on the motion of Councilman Hughes.

RES. #1818
ADOPTED
INTENTION
TO ANNEX
"HUTCHINS ST.
ADDITION"

On the motion of Councilman Robinson, the Council voted to adopt Resolution No. 1818, declaring its intention to annex the "Hutchins Street Addition" and setting July 21, 1954, as the date for the public hearing on the annexation. The City Clerk explained that the area included in the proposed annexation consisted of that portion of Hutchins Street not included at the present time. No private property is included.

EMPLOYMENT
OFFICE LEASE

Mr. Weller read a letter from the State Department of Employment, which accompanied the executed lease agreement with the Department for the City-owned building at the corner of Stockton and Locust Streets, asking that the City Council again give consideration to the reduction of the rent for the building at such time as its cost has been amortized. Councilman Hughes stated that the building was serving a public function and should be continued as such, but he felt that the City should be fairly compensated for the use of the building. Councilman Robinson stated that he could see no reason why the City should be in any other position than a private property owner. It was agreed that the letter should be acknowledged and the matter given further study.

FREEWAY
AGREEMENT

Mr. Weller reported the receipt of an executed copy of the Freeway Agreement from the Division of Highways.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$65,173.02 were approved on the motion of Councilman Richey, Mitchell second.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

FINAL MAP
BEL-AIR
ESTATES

The final map of the Bel-Air Estates subdivision was submitted for approval. The map as submitted included a parcel of land at the corner of Ham Lane and Lockeford Street designated as "Not a Part of this Subdivision". The Council questioned the subdivider's intention to provide for paving and drainage in this area. On the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Richey second, the Council voted to authorize the Mayor to sign the map after he has been assured by the City Engineer and City Attorney that curb and gutter, sidewalk, and streets will be improved over that portion designated as "Not a Part of this Subdivision".

GATZERT
RESIGNATION

The resignation of Clifford Gatzert as Planning Aide to the Planning Commission, forwarded from the Planning Commission, was accepted with regret on the motion of Councilman Hughes, Mitchell second.

RES. #1819
ADOPTED
CHANGE NAME
CALAVERAS ST.

The Council received a recommendation from the City Planning Commission that the name of that portion of Calaveras Street running in an east-west direction be changed to Murray Street. The Council then adopted Resolution No. 1819, changing the name of Calaveras Street as recommended, on the motion of Councilman Robinson, Richey second.

ORD. NO. 509
ADOPTED

SET-BACK
MODIFICATION

ORDINANCE NO. 509, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 469, TO PROVIDE FOR THE MODIFICATION OF FRONT YARD REQUIREMENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS", having been regularly introduced on May 20, 1954, was brought up for passage on the motion of Councilman Richey, Mitchell second. Second reading was omitted after reading by title, and then passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - Hughes, Mitchell, Richey,
Robinson and Fuller

NOES: Councilmen - None ABSENT: None

Mayor Fuller then signed Ordinance No. 509 in approval thereof.

S. P. PARKING
LOT

The City Manager announced that construction work on the off-street parking lot leased from the Southern Pacific Company on North Sacramento Street would start in the near future. Mr. Al Cooper addressed the Council from the audience to ask if the time limit had been set on this lot and suggested that the Merchants' Parking Committee be consulted before a parking limit is set on this lot. Mr. Weller replied that the limit is now two hours by policy, but that policy could be altered by Council action. Councilman Robinson stated that he felt the policy should not be changed until a complete report is available and a new overall policy is considered. Councilman Richey stated that she was interested in seeing a little landscaping included on the lot rather than having the plot covered with black top. Mr. Weller replied that plot plans for the lot are

available for the members of the Council to examine at their convenience. Mr. C. R. Van Buskirk addressed the Council to say that the Coordinating Council and other interested organizations were interested in beautifying the area as well as providing parking space. No further action was taken.

HOLLY DRIVE

Councilman Hughes stated that he had been asked by residents of Holly Drive to have weight limit signs erected on Holly Drive between Loma Drive and Ham Lane.

FOOT PATH ALONG SP. CO. RIGHT OF WAY

At the suggestion of Councilman Hughes and on his motion, Robinson second, the Council voted to instruct the City Manager to contact the Southern Pacific Company and request sufficient right of way along the Southern Pacific Company Woodbridge Branch Line right of way between Turner Road and Pleasant Avenue for a pedestrian and bicycle path.

1954-55 BUDGET

The City Manager then presented the 1954-55 Budget to the City Council. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that full consideration should be given to the matter after study by the members of the Council.

On the motion of Councilman Richey the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, June 23, 1954, at 8:00 p. m.

ATTEST:


HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.
City Clerk